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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD FOR ULTRASONIC MEASUREMENT OF THE FLOW OF LIQUID AND/OR GASEOUS MEDIA AND AN APPARATUS FOR IMPLEMENTING THEREOF

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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 654 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 654 day(s).

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Notice of Allowability	Examiner	Art Unit				
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The MAILING DATE of this communication apperall claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RI of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313	(OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this app or other appropriate communication GHTS. This application is subject to	olication. If not included will be mailed in due course. THIS				
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2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-5</u> .						
 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some* c) None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No 						
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Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.						
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).						
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.						
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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The references cited have failed to teach an ultrasonic flowmeter which is electrically coupled to at least two reversible electroacoustic transducers, each of which having a directional diagram for radiation and reception with a beam angle of not less than 60" in cross section planes and being positioned on a measuring section of a pipeline in such a manner that the axis of the directional diagram is mainly perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the pipeline, the first reversible electroacoustic transducer is displaced relative to the second downstream at a distance of not more than 2.5 D, where D is the diameter of the pipeline

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lisa Caputo can be reached on 571-272-2388. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/JEWEL THOMPSON/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2855 June 8, 2009